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| Applicant | : | Benkowski et al. | Assignee | : | Micromed Technology, Inc. |
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on September 25, 2008, please amend the subject application as set forth herein pursuant Rule 116(b)(2) & (3). This Amendment is filed within two (2) months of the mailing date of the Office Action and, therefore, a timely Advisory Action is earnestly solicited.

Reconsideration and allowance of this application is respectfully requested in light of the arguments and amendments presented herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2.

Assignees' **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.